

WARREN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2020

The Warren County Commissioners met for their first meeting of the month of February 2020.

Commissioners present for the meeting: Clay Andrews, Adam Hanthorne, Brian Jordan.

Also, in attendance: Jud Barce, County Attorney; Jenny Hobaugh, Highway Department Office Manager; Matt Herndon, Highway Supervisor; Rusty Hart, Sheriff; Laurie "Lee" Kay, Council.

Public: Neal Austin, Perry Conrad, Lynn Martin, Suzi Etchison, Ingrid Barce, Rod Lucas, Walt Wilson, Barb Ely, Kimberly Schreckenqost, Hunter Armstrong, Craig Greenwood, Michael Evens,

1. The meeting was called to order by Brian Jordan.
2. Brian Jordan, Commissioner led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. New Business:
 - a. Approval of Meeting Agenda – Add NextEra Right of Way Transmission Agreement Jordan Creek Windfarm, Pine Village Generator. Clay Andrews made a motion to approve the amended agenda with a second from Brian Jordan. Clay Andrews and Brian Jordan voted in favor. Adam Hanthorne voted against due to the addition of Right of Way Agreement.
 - b. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the January 21, 2020 meetings minutes with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - c. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the January 21, 2020 thru February 3, 2020 Accounts Payable Claim Dockets with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - d. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the January 31, 2020 payroll dockets with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - e. Highway Department – Hobaugh presented the 2020-2023 bridge inspection contract between INDOT and Warren County. The agreement with Janssen and Spann was signed last meeting for the amount of \$270,272.94 with 80% or 216,218.35 from Federal Government and \$54,054.59 Warren County responsibility. The INDOT contract was signed. Herndon stated he located a used bucket truck as the burned bucket truck was totaled for \$15,000 and will present a quote in a coming meeting. Herndon had an inquiry concerning a pond on 100E that was no legally added and DNR required them to drain it but the box culvert was covered on taxpayer's insurance and taxpayer would like released. This will be looked into for a later meeting.
 - f. Bridge #66 Bid Opening – One bid was received from White Construction, Clinton Indiana. Hobaugh opened the bid. The total bid is \$632,850.00. Bid is invalid as it is not on the correct form 96. Hobaugh will call for a rebid to be opened at the February 18th Commissioner meeting.
 - g. Michelle Hetrick, Clerk – Order Consolidating Polling Places for Adjoining Precincts. Hetrick explained the order. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to approve the Order with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - h. Right of Way Transmission Agreement – Jordan Creek Windfarm. Hunter Armstrong, NextEra explained the Right of Way Agreement that is presented to the Commissioners. The agreement is Exhibit F of the Road Use Agreement that was signed in 2016. This shows the map of the actual turbines which also shows the transmission lines. Road Use Agreement is currently ready for signature as well. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to table until the next meeting with a second from Brian Jordan, all voted in favor.
 - i. Pine Village Generator Repair – Jordan explained the repair of the generator. Barce explained the generator can be donated to the Town of Pine Village and a new maintenance agreement can be signed by the town. Jordan will discuss this with the town board. Adam made a motion to donate the generator to the Town of Pine Village subject to assumption of \$400 maintenance agreement and use as County backup generator with a second from Clay Andrews, all voted in favor. Eberly explained the background info on this issue.
4. Old Business:
 - a. Courthouse Security Ordinance – Barce explained an email from Judge Reece concerning amendments to the ordinance. Sheriff Hart did not have an issue with the amendments. Jordan explained the amendments to the original ordinance that are due to State Code security changes. Adam Hanthorne voted in favor of Ordinance #2020-0203 Amended Courthouse Security Ordinance with a second by Clay Andrews, all voted in favor.
 - b. Highway Surplus Equipment/GovDeals – Herndon presented a list to the Commissioners. Barce explained a notice of sale publication 15 days prior to the sale. The items include 1970 Kaiser Jeer Wrecker, 1975 Champion Grader, 1996 John Deere 7600 Tractor. Adam Hanthorne made a motion to make all 3 items surplus equipment to sell online with a second by Clay Andrews, all voted in favor. Barce explained the earliest to have online would be February 28th.
 - c. Jordan Creek Windfarm Permit Fee Ordinance – Brian Jordan explained the ordinance amendments to the original ordinance. Additionally, the ordinance was passed by the County Council on December 16, 2019. Clay Andrews made a motion to pass Ordinance #2019-1216D with a second from Adam Hanthorne, all voted in favor.
5. Elected Official/Department Head comments:
 - a. Laurie "Lee" Kay, Council – Kay explained the conflict of interest to the commissioners as she is an employee of the Warren Agency which provides Commercial Insurance to the County. Kay is filing a uniform conflict of interest form with the State.
 - b. Rusty Hart, Sheriff – Generator maintenance agreement question. Jordan sated he is looking for another company to facilitate this.
 - c. Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor – Tax Sale Certificate Feb 6th at 1:00 p.m.
 - d. John Kuiper, Zoning Director – Discussed Property Maintenance form issues from previous meetings. Kuiper will continue to keep the Commissioners up to date.

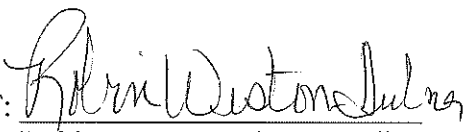
6. Public Comment:

- a. Lyn Martin, County Resident – Martin inquired about a property maintenance complaint that was filed in Pence. Kuiper stated he has discussed with property owner.
- b. Suzie Etchison – Etchison inquired about the right of ways for private property. Kuiper stated there is a map of the County Right of Ways at the zoning office or highway office.
- c. Tony Martin – Martin inquired about road right of way agreement concerning digging on personal properties and who is responsible for maintenance.
- d. Barb Ely – Ely requested the Right of Way document that was previously discussed be place on the County Website.
- e. Rod Lucas, Iron Workers. Lucas is requesting the commissioners put him in touch with NextEra concerning the wind turbines.

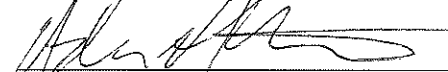
Next Commissioner Joint meeting February 18, 2020 @ 8:00 a.m. and Commissioner/Council Joint Meeting February 19, 2020 @ 5:00 p.m.


There being no further business Clay Andrews made a motion to adjourn with a second from Adam Hanthorne, all voted in favor.

ATTEST:


Robin Weston-Hubner, Auditor


W. Brian Jordan, President


Adam Hanthorne, Vice President


Clay Andrews